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Vandalism Destroys Irrigation Equipment

Vandals, Monday night, maliciously destroyed equipment to a home made irrigation set, which had been set up by Spurgeon D. Manson, of Lake Street, to care for his garden.

A retired railroad man, Mr. Manson has several acres of garden under cultivation, near his home, which is close to the old Middlesex Canal. The garden has been kept in fair to good condition, throughout the drought, by Manson's ingenuity. He had rigged a gasoline engine of the "haid" tractor variety to a pump, and has purchased hose and sprinklers with which to water his parched land. The system which Mr. Manson set up pumped 400 gallons of water a day onto his garden, and was a showpiece for the neighborhood.

Early Tuesday morning Manson discovered that sometime during the night vandals had cut up the hose, dismantled other equipment, cut the V belt that drives the pump, and poured water into the engine.

Mr. Manson is quite upset about the vandalism, and has offered a reward, for information leading to arrest and conviction of the culprits.

1.21 INCHES OF RAIN YESTERDAY

The thunderstorm which lashed Boston and vicinity, Tuesday did no damage in Wilmington. There was 1.21 inches of rain, at the pumping station.

PORTER PRESIDENT OF ROTARY PARK

Postmaster Henry J. Porter was elected President of Wilmington Rotary Park, Inc., at the annual meeting, last Wednesday. Other officers elected were John Gleason, Vice President; Bill Stevens, Treasurer and Rev. Stanley Cummings, Secretary.

Directors for the coming year are Dr. Ernest MacDougal, H. J. Porter, Earl Hamilton, W. S. Stevens, Nelson Huntley, Albert Osterman, Adrian Durkee, Rodney Buck, Meyer Weinberg, John Cooke, John Gleason, Joseph B. McMahon and Fred Cain.

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New Lab Locates In Wilmington

Up on Ballardvale Road is an old farm, now owned by Bob Evans, and formerly known as "Friends Farm." Today, in one of the abandoned chicken houses, a new industry is located.

The Charles River Breeding Laboratories, of 77 Leverett Street, Boston, is an organization which has built up rapidly in the last five years. Started by Dr. Henry L. Foster, it supplies Albino Rats and Mice, of a very high standard, to medical colleges, and pharmaceutical laboratories, throughout the eastern part of the United States.

Dr. Foster, a Veterinarian, has found that his customers have increased their demands to the point where he had to expand his facilities. Through a private real estate firm, he learned of the building on Ballardvale Road, and made arrangements for its lease. At the same time, he is moving his office, and laboratory, to Beacon Street, Brookline.

In the Ballardvale Street building, extensive alterations are underway. The roof has been strengthened, and insulated. A blower, to change the air in the building has been installed, together with a new heating system. All the walls are insulated. A fireproof room is being installed, equipped with water sprinklers, in which will be kept the shavings, used to bed down the animals.

Water comes from a well, and it is planned to put in an automatic watering system, for the rodents. At present, each of the cages, (and they number in the thousands) are watered by a bottle system, which takes up the time of two men.

In this place Dr. Foster is breeding rats, white albinos, for sale. Certain of the male and female, with the desired characteristics, are set aside as breeding animals, and a good female will produce four or five litter a year. The young, when born, are tiny red things, about an inch in length, which grow rapidly. Their eyes open, at the end of two weeks, and at the end of the third week they are ready to leave their mother.

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TRAGEDY AT SILVER LAKE

Martin Ferguson, aged 28, of 135 Appleton Street, Boston, met death, as the result of an accidental drowning, at Silver Lake, last Saturday.

Ferguson, who is employed by Charles Elfman, of the Back Bay Spa, of Columbus Avenue and Dartmouth Street, Boston, was visiting Wilmington with a party of friends, which included several of the Elfman family, and Jeffrey Googin, of 139 Appleton Street Boston.

About 11:45 a.m. Googin, 12 years old, noticed that Ferguson was missing, as the party was swimming near the raft, at the Town Beach. He, and Judy Briggs, 14, of Bond Street, South Tewksbury, recovered the victim about 4 minutes later, near the raft. It is understood that Ferguson had struck his head on the raft, a few minutes earlier. Doris Briggs, 13, and Mary Louise Lussier 12, of Bond Street, were on the raft and helped to get Ferguson on the raft after he had been found. He was bleeding from the nose. Last rites were given by Father Regan, of St. Thomas Church.

Ferguson was brought to the raft, and the Police and Fire Department immediately responded, when called with the Fire Department resuscitator.

Miss Lieba N. Gordon, R.N., a Chelsea resident, living at 38 Grove Avenue, came from her home, and Dr. Morris Kelman, of Silver Lake Street responded and attempted to revive the victim.

He was declared dead, of accidental rowing, at about 3 p.m. by Doctor Devlin, Medical Examiner.

Among the police and fire department who responded were Chief Lynch, Officers Imbimbo, Troy, Cail and Palice, and Chief Boudreau, with Firefighters Cushing, O'Neil, Medico, McHugh, Nee and Ellis. Chief Hugh Eames of the Reading Fire Department brought an additional supply of oxygen, Irving Appleby, MDC lifeguard also rendered assistance.

The additional oxygen, from Reading was brought here, as the result of using the new two-way radio system, in Chief Boudreau's car. Boudreau had his car damaged, when the oilpan struck a small post in the center of the driveway, used for locking the gates to the beach parking area. His car was towed to Roger Buck's garage.

Leo LeBlanc's car was stuck high and dry, on the centerpost in the driveway to the beach. His car had to be lifted off, by friends.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board of Appeals will hold a hearing at 8 p.m. August 12th in the Town Hall, on the appeal of Nicola Pennacchio, in regards to building on lots 68B and 69B, off Grove Avenue,
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NEW ENGLAND GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY

The New England Gas Transmission Company has written another letter to the Town Manager, asking that their Bond, in Wilmington be reduced from \$9,000 to \$4,500. The TM consulted the Selectmen, Monday night, about the matter. The Selectmen were told that there were originally 12 cases of dispute about valuations, in property damage, through which the pipe line runs, and that this has been reduced to 9. However, another person has now contacted the TM, to say that she didn't even know that the pipeline came through her land. The TM was of the opinion that damages might be anywhere from \$500 to \$1000, in each case.

The Selectmen instructed the TM to write the N.E. Gas, and tell them that, in the opinion of the Selectmen, the \$9,000 should stand as is.

ROBERT NEWHOUSE IN KOREA

Robert F. Newhouse, of Taft Road, is now serving in Korea. He has written to his folks to tell them he is studying for advancement, and is also Company Bugler. His address is PFC Robert F. Newhouse, 40th QM Co. 40th Inf. Div. APO 6, San Francisco, Cal.

NEW GAS STATION

Some time ago, the Board of Appeals held a hearing, when it was proposed to put in a gas station at the northeast corner of Shady Lane Drive and Middlesex Avenue. A permit to build was issued, with the stipulation that work be started within six months. The person to whom the permit was issued did not comply with the stipulation.

A Wilmington man has been making inquiries, about this same site. He has been told that he too will have to have a hearing before the Board of Appeals.

BOYS FISHING CLUB OUTING

The Wilmington Boys Fishing Club enjoyed an outing at Stearns Pond, in the Harold Parker State Forest, Andover, on Sunday. Fishing, with picnic lunches was enjoyed. About 30 boys were present.

The club expressed its appreciation to Henry Kelly of Forest Street and Ernest Bousefield, of Aldrich Road, for providing refreshments.

GLADYS SURETTE IN CALIFORNIA

Miss Gladys Surette, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Surette of North Wilmington, has flown to California, to visit her brother and sister-in-law, Sgt. and Mrs. Joseph Surette, of 1418 E Street, Sacramento, California. Miss Surette expects to stay in California about three weeks.

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Civil Defense Corps

The Wilmington Ground Observer Corps, and the Civil Defense are presenting, in the High School Cafeteria, Thursday night, at 7:30 p.m. a realistic picture, on what might happen, during a "sneak" attack on the United States.

The picture, which is completely factual, has been prepared to show the dangers now facing this country, and to demonstrate what can be done, to avert this danger.

The Air Force Filter Center, in Manchester, N. H., to which all messages go from the Ground Observer Corps, is presenting the film, in cooperation with the Wilmington Civil Defense. An Air Force Captain, and a Corporal, will be on hand, for the demonstration.

The Superintendent of Schools, Clifford Good, has approved of the use of the cafeteria, or the 7:30 p.m. showing.

Town Officials and many of the leaders of clubs and civic organizations plan to attend. The meeting is free, and the public is invited.

This is not a picture of gruesome details, but rather a realistic study of prevention methods, which everyone should see and study.

It is open to any person of High School age, or over.

HOW MANY PEOPLE IN SILVER LAKE

The Town Manager was called, by an official in the State House, last week, relative to some business in which the population of the town pertained.

The TM opined that Wilmington had maybe 7700 population. The State Official said that it was 9300. The TM couldn't figure that one out, but the State Official very kindly informed Dean that he had forgotten to count the people in Silver Lake.

O'NEIL CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

John O'Neil, of Church Street, newly appointed member of the Board of Health, was elected the chairman of that committee, in their first meeting.

The election was on a temporary basis, until the Board organizes permanently.

REWARD
\$15.00 will be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons who destroyed my irrigation system, during the night of August 4-5, 1952. (Signed) S.D. Manson
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THE NEW POSTOFFICE

Since about the time of the big fire (every town has to have a big fire, and Wilmington's was in 1903) this town has enjoyed a postoffice located in the same building where it is today. Perhaps it was a very fine postoffice, back in the days of the horse and buggy, but today it doesn't seem to fit the needs of the citizens.

A couple of weeks ago, the Post Office Department caused a notice to be posted in the Post Office, inviting bids for a new postoffice, to be privately built, and rented on a five or ten year lease basis. This paper printed a story about the invitation, and another paper printed a similar story a little while later. Now there are several men who are trying to get the new Post Office on their own particular site of land. The economic advantage of such a move, to the individual concerned would be more than sufficient to pay for any trouble incurred.

We don't blame these individuals. We think that the fact that they didn't try for something like this, would be prima facie evidence that they were asleep on their feet. Of course, only one site can be chosen, but to each of the men, we say, Good Luck.

However, we deplore the method that is being used. For 50 years we struggle along, and then suddenly Z-O-O-M! It has got to be decided within the month!

We have no doubt but that the Post Office Inspector in charge will try to use as much good sense as possible, in locating the new postoffice, according to the sites that are bid. He will weigh several factors, most of them being that of convenience to the Post Office Department.

We wonder, however, how much he will consider the special problems of the town, and we feel that there won't be much thought in this direction, because he knows nothing of our problems.

As far as we know, the Town Manager, and the Board of Selectmen have not been consulted. We don't believe that the Planning Board has been consulted, either. Yet, these officials exist for the purpose of trying to improve this town of ours. They know our problems. They should be consulted.

To us, there is unseemly haste, and we deplore it.

ROUTE 129

Route 129, on Shawsheen Avenue, is increasingly becoming a speedway as local and out of town cars use this highway to other parts of the Commonwealth.

There have been numerous complaints, a good many of which are justified, of speeders.

We are concerned about the corner near Jim's Variety Store, where Hopkins Street and Lake Street meet. These two streets are now heavily traveled.

We think that steps should be instituted towards the erection of Stop signs at this corner. Just what it involves, and whether or not the State has to first give permission, we don't know. Because Route 129 is a State route, we suspect that the latter is the case.

We believe, however, that it would be a forward step, and hope that something can be done, before it is too late.

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READERS' FORUM



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find Robert Goss's new address and would like to have you send him the Crusader as he has mentioned how much he has got from the home town paper in several of his letters.

He is now at a B-29 Bomber Base in Japan for extended duty.

Yours sincerely,
Walter Goss
5 Gove Avenue
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A-3/c Robert S. Goss, 11234542,
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California.

Mr. Editor:

During my three years and five months as engineman second class in the U.S. Coast Guard, I wish to extend my appreciation to both your staff and the American Legion for making it possible for me to receive the Wilmington Crusader.

On the 9th of July 1952 I received my honorable discharge and hope that the copy of the Crusader in which I received while in the service will be sent to someone who has not yet been as fortunate as I was in receiving a copy.

I know as well as every other serviceman does it is quite an honor and thrill to receive a home town paper, as there are very few towns and cities in this country that take enough interest in a serviceman to send him a home town paper.

I will say thanks again Mr. Editor, The Crusader Staff and the American Legion for making it possible for me to have received the Wilmington Crusader while being in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Sincerely,
John R. Foye
169 West Street
Wilmington

THE CRUSADER NOW GOES TO 160 IN THE SERVICE

160 men and women from Wilmington are receiving the Wilmington Crusader, this week, thanks to the courtesy of the American Legion, bringing the total number of persons who have

subscriptions have been discontinued, during the last year because the individuals concerned have left the service.

In addition to those previously named, the Crusader now goes to Paul N. Carpenter, M. T. Cughey, John T. Cochran, Donald R. Coe, John R. Dec, Joseph Del Torto, Robert O. Emmons, Francis J. Fentress, Douglas Fiske, William G. Harvey, William R. Hughson, Gustave F. Landry, Gilbert A. Madore, Roger C. Maskell, Richard Montgomery, Albert Moreira, Arthur E. O'Connell, Joseph O'Connell, Robert Park, Cornelius Roger Payne, Earl J. Richard, Fred H. Roberts, Norman R. Sharp, James F. Stone, Charles E. Stowe and David L. Sullivan.

Readers are reminded to keep the Crusader notified, by postcard, of any change of address. If the Crusader does not have the latest address, it may be possible that the paper does not reach the person for whom it is intended.

RENT CONTROL IN WILMINGTON

The gentleman in charge of the Rent Control office, in Lowell, has asked that Wilmington's position on this question be made clear. He has told the Town Manager that a budget cut of 50 per cent has been made, by Congress, for Rent Stabilization, and that some of the offices may be closed.

Particularly, it is desired to know whether or not the town wishes to continue rent control here, until April 30, 1953, and if it is desired that the Lowell office remain in operation.

In Lowell there are 30,000 rented homes and apartments, and there are others in surrounding towns, including 900 in Wilmington, according to this gentleman.

The Selectmen, Monday night could either (1) affirm that Wilmington wants controls continued, or (2) not affirm it, in which case it will automatically go to the town for a vote, on state ballots (presumably at the time of the Primaries, September 21st, but maybe in the November election.)

The Selectmen thought that a matter like this was best left to the citizens, and decided to not affirm. In this way the citizens

Guest Editorial

CORPORATIONS HAVE SOULS

By George Peck

(EDITORS NOTE: George Peck is Chairman of the Board of the National Labor-Management Foundation, and Executive Editor of its official publication, PARTNERS.)

This week I'm taking the lazy way out by passing on the comments of two editors, one located in Ohio, the other in Pennsylvania. The weather is a bit hot, to put it mildly. Both of these editors have come up with some excellent data to prove that industrial corporations are not cruel monsters that the Commies, Pinks, Left Wingers, Socialists, Economic Planners and Government Bureaucrats allege them to be.

Mrs. Marie Neal Martin, editor of the Western Reserve Democrat, Democratic weekly of Warren, Ohio, had this to say in her May 29-52 issue: (For simplification quotation marks are omitted.)

THIS IS GOOD ADVICE

Metropolitan papers, throughout the country, recently carried a full page advertisement by General Motors Acceptance Corp., a General Motors subsidiary, devoted to retail financing of cars. The purpose of the advertisement was to warn the public not to be misled by easy credit terms in purchasing cars.

The advertising copy said: "If you are tempted to buy a car with little or nothing down and take three or four years to pay—BEWARE!"

The Communists put out what they call a "handbook". In that handbook General Motors is listed among the "soulless, ruthless, grasping, predatory corporations, engaged in fattening themselves at the cost of public welfare."

Notwithstanding all that, GM spends thousands of dollars to warn the public, through the medium of newspaper advertising, against the danger of inflation.

What do you think, would be the Communists' answer to that?

* * *

And Claude H. Heintzelman, publisher of the Record, Independent daily of Coatsville, Pa., posed a question in the June 27-52 issue of his paper—then proceeded to make a most adequate reply to it: (Again the quotation marks are omitted.)

ARE CORPORATIONS SOULLESS?

The employees of the Lukens Steel Company are on strike. They will not permit their members to enter the plant to complete much-needed repairs and improvements, some of which were under way when the strike began.

Until these repairs are completed, it will be impossible to get all of the men back to work, even after an agreement is signed by the company and the union.

The strikers will not permit members to unload more than 400 cars of material, which will be needed when the plant is reopened. As a result the company has been paying daily demurrage charges on all these cars.

These are some of the things done by the union to embarrass the company against which they are striking, and which, incidentally will later embarrass union members and all other employees of the company.

Looking at the other side of the picture, we find an entirely different condition.

A story in The Record the other day told of payment, by the Lukens Steel Co., of bills for hospitalization insurance. Under agreement with the workers, the company has assumed responsibility for this payment for men who were working in their plant. But it has continued payment, even though these men are not working—idle because they are on strike.

The benefits of this kind of insurance end when the monthly bill is not paid.

What would happen to these strikers were any of them forced to go into a hospital, or any members of their families needed hospital care, if they were not protected?

THE NEW POSTOFFICE

The new post office site has a few people interested. So far, we understand, there are four Wilmington business men who are interested in trying to locate the

postoffice on their own particular property.

AUTO ACCIDENT IN WILMINGTON SQUARE

Bob Farmer, of Woburn had his car damaged, last Thursday, while

it was parked in Wilmington Square, by having another car strike it. The driver of the second car, which had struck Farmer's car, was Ralph Jordan of South Tewksbury. According to Jordan's story, he was forced over, by a third car which sped off, without stopping. The number of the third car has been reported to the police, and they are investigating.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON GLEN ROAD

About 8 p.m. on August 1st, there was an accident, on Glen Road, involving a car driven by Mrs. Edward A. Burke, 37 Bartlett Street, Charlestown, and one owned by Glen Connolly, of Edward Street, Wilmington. Damage was minor.

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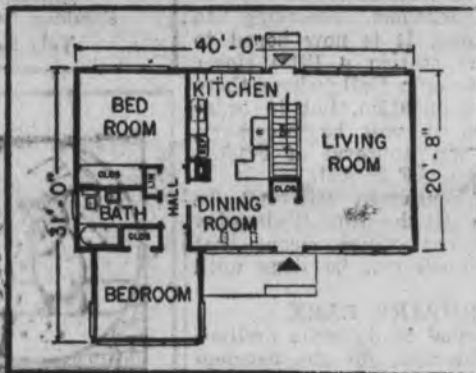


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RAVEN PATROL HEADQUARTERS DAMAGED

The Raven Patrol, of the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1, Wilmington, who have been working so hard on their new headquarters on Nichols Street have had a visit from vandals, sometime on August 1st. Five books and three lanterns were stolen, the door damaged, and the flagpole was destroyed.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON MAIN STREET

An accident, on Main Street, at 9:35 p.m. August 1st, involved a car driven by William Leblanc of Floreince Road, Burlington and another operated by John F. Auldiss, of 11 Oneida Street, Boston. There was only minor damage.

AUTO ACCIDENT NEAR TEWKSBURY LINE

An accident, on Marjorie Road, on July 30th, involving two cars, was reported to the Wilmington Police. According to the report, a car operated by Armando De Carolis, of Glenwood Road, Tewksbury backed into a second car, owned by Frank C. LeRosa, of 148 Saratogo Street, East Boston. The right front door of the LeRosa car was damaged. Officer Troy investigated.

IT IS LONELY ON THE DESERT

Don Blake would like to get in touch with some of his old friends. His address is A/3c Donald A. Blake, 3597th Trng. Sqdn., Nellis AFB, Nevada.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Corner Lowell and Sanborn Streets, Reading, holds services as follows:

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ALBERT BREWSTER

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BY JACK MOORE

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is ready to be sold, and, if it qualifies, in the characteristics desired, is sold on a weight basis, that is, at the market price, per gram. Each rat will sell for somewhere between 75 cents and \$1.50. There are about 30,000 rats, always on hand, in the laboratory.

The building is not yet completely built up to the Doctor's desires, but when it is finished he hopes to keep an atmospheric condition in which the temperature will vary but a few degrees, in winter or summer, and with just the humidity required.

There will be shipping room,

an office, and a room for the employees which will be provided for their comfort, and in which they can change to street clothes, after a day's work.

As yet Dr. Foster has no telephone, and he finds this to be very inconvenient. The telephone company has promised him one, as quickly as possible, and Dr. Foster awaits it impatiently.

Several men are now employed by Dr. Foster, and he states that he is still looking for two more men.

TOWN NOTES

WEATHER

July was the month of the drought. For all the month, we had a total of 1.71 inches of rain, at the North Wilmington Pumping Station. There are a couple of jokers, though, in that statement. In the first place, 1.32 of that 1.71 inches fell in the last four days, and in the second place not everywhere did that 1.32 inches fall.

The 27th of July saw the tremendous thunderstorm, of which we carried an account, last week. .77 inches of rain fell, in about 15 minutes.

The 29th had a shower, with .10 inches of rain, and then the 31st shows .45 inches. This is true in North Wilmington, parts of the Town of Tewksbury and Lowell, but not so in West Wilmington or Billerica, where only a few drops fell, in the thunderstorm.

Last August had 5.07 inches of rain. Now it remains to be seen what this August will do.

TOMATOES

While we are hoping for rain, let us not forget what happens to tomatoes, in rainy August. Tomato Blight is much more infectious in rainy weather, as many back yard gardeners can testify. It is kept in control by applications of Bordeaux Powder, dusted onto the plants, about once a week, preferably when the plant is damp. Sunset is a good time to dust the

plants.

WATER SPRINKLING

Somebody asked us, the other day, why the sprinkling hours were from 5 to 8 p.m. He couldn't figure out the reason.

There are two good reasons. (1) Water that is sprinkled on just before the sun sets soaks into the ground during the night, with least loss from evaporation, because the night is cooler. Thus the householder gets the most for his money. (2) Stopping at 8 p.m. means that there is still a little daylight left, and it enables the police department to check up on some who would like to have a little more water.

NEW TELEPHONES

The telephone company is preparing for the day when the town will have adequate telephone service, sometime about the middle of September, or the 1st of October.

At any hour of the day or night, when one passes the telephone exchange, one will see three or four telephone trucks parked outside, with the men inside, and, we presume, working.

THE

CALIFORNIA EARTHQUAKE
Charlie Brack was in Monterey, California, at the time of the California earthquake. He denies being responsible.

THE

POLICE - FIRE STATION
Some snags have been encountered, in the plans for the new Fire Station. The site where it was planned to locate the station has proved unsuitable, because of poor foundations, according to test borings. It is now hoped to locate the station a little closer to the Masonic Hall, where there is good foundation, but in order to do so it will be necessary, first, to get approval of Friendship Lodge, AF & AM.

Those gentlemen will not be meeting until the third Wednesday in September, which means that nothing much can be done until then.

ROTARY PARK

It is hoped to do some preliminary bulldozing, for the development of Rotary Park, next week. A hole is to be dug out, adjacent to Adelaide Street, and the peat there pushed aside. The idea is to fill the hole with some waste material, good solid stuff, that the Rotarians hope to be able to get.

CUT UP CHICKEN

We noticed an ad, in last week's paper, about chicken cut up, ready for sale, so we went around to investigate. The Garden Acres Poultry Farm, on Swain Road has set up a store, where they plan to sell direct to the consumer, on a basis of you don't have to buy the

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At a 7 p.m. candlelight serv-

ice in the Congregational Church in Wilmington on July 26th, Miss Cynthia Corneliusen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Corneliusen, became the bride of Jesse Johnstone Crawford, son of Mrs. Sarah Crawford of Woburn. Rev. Henry Beukelman of the Woburn Methodist Church performed the ceremony and the bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr. Robert Berquist of Woburn sang "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride's gown was of Candlelight satin with Basque bodice of imported Chantilly lace, plume of Chantilly extending into a full length cathedral train, and pearl trimmed Vionet cap attached to a

French illusion finger-tip veil. Her maid of honor was Miss Ruth Marshall of Reading. The bridesmaids were the Misses Louise DeLisle and Joyce Eaton of Wilmington, and Mrs. Arthur Kane and Mrs. Eric Stenquist of Woburn, sisters of the groom. Jr. bridesmaids Sally Olsen of Melrose and Caroline Sullivan of Woburn acted as flower girls. The attendants wore full length gowns of tulle and lace in rainbow hues. Their bouquets were colonial and matching flowers were worn in their hair.

The brides mother chose a gown of Teal crepe with lace bodice. Her accessories were white and her corsage was of gardenias. The grooms mother wore gray lace and crepe gown with pink accessories and pink rose corsage. The best man was George Crawford, brother of the groom. The ushers were Bert and Dick Evans of Stoneham, Charles Adams and Arthur Keane of Woburn. The church was decorated with bouquets of white gladiolas and smaller bouquets at the pews.

The reception was held at Silver Lake Betterment Hall, which was nicely decorated with white streamers and wedding bells. McKitterich caterers of Woburn served dainty refreshments, to a large number of relatives and friends from Canada, Maine, New York and different places in Mass. Following the bridal waltz and cutting of the wedding cake, the happy couple left for an extended motor trip.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth MacMillan of 12 Bracket Avenue, Stoneham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Joyce, to Mr. Carl E. Runge, of 217 Andover Street, North Wilmington.

GIRLS HIT AND RUN

Two girls, in a blue Ford convertible, backed into a car owned by Chester Hibbs, which was parked in the Wilmington Railroad Depot Yard, at 12:30 a.m. August 2nd. They drove off, without stopping. The car was registered in the name of Virginia Archer, Union Street, Marshfield.

THEFT ON BURLINGTON AVENUE

A car owned by Mrs. Harry White, of 53 Wood Street, Milton, was broken into about 2 p.m. on August 2nd, while it was parked on Burlington Avenue. The left vent window was broken, and \$5.52 was reported missing.

MILDRED ROGERS SCHQOL BROKEN INTO

A complaint by Bernard McDonough, custodian of the Mildred H. Rogers School, at Silver Lake, states that some person has removed a screen and window, from the cellar, and taken a radio from the boiler room. The report was dated 7 p.m. August 2nd.

CONNECTIONS MADE FOR SHADY LANE WATER

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HOW DIZZY ARE YOU?

Probably 50 per cent of the people in Wilmington would have recognized the man in an instant, but Virginia Hingston, of Carter Lane was nonplussed, when a man by the name of Dizzy was speaking to her. Virginia is an American Airlines stewardess, and on a recent flight to Chicago, she was checking off the passengers, when one man responded to his name by saying, "I'm Dizzy!"

Virginia thought that the passenger was jollying her along, and she joked back, saying something about "a big man like you should not get dizzy, just because you are flying!"

The passenger turned and faced Virginia. "You don't understand,"

he said. "I am Dizzy Dean, who used to pitch for the St. Louis Cardinals!"

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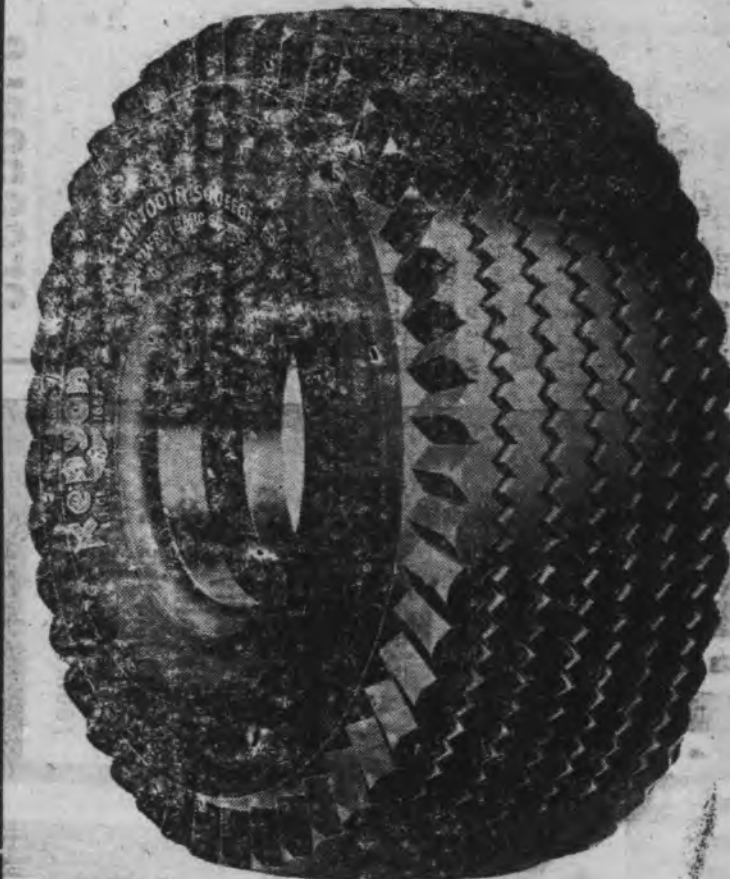
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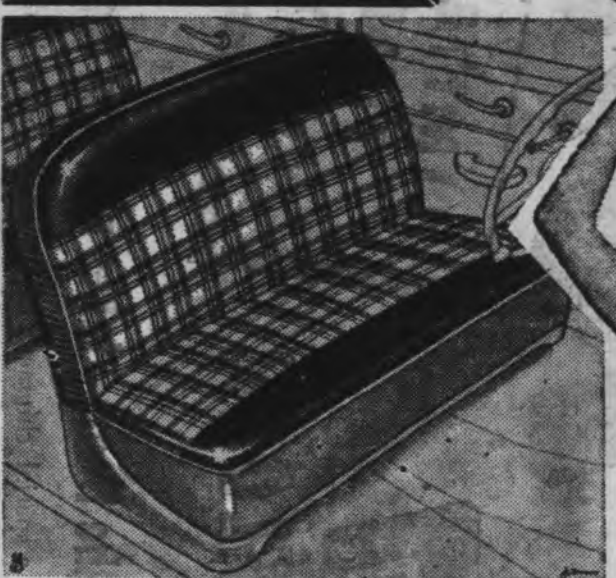
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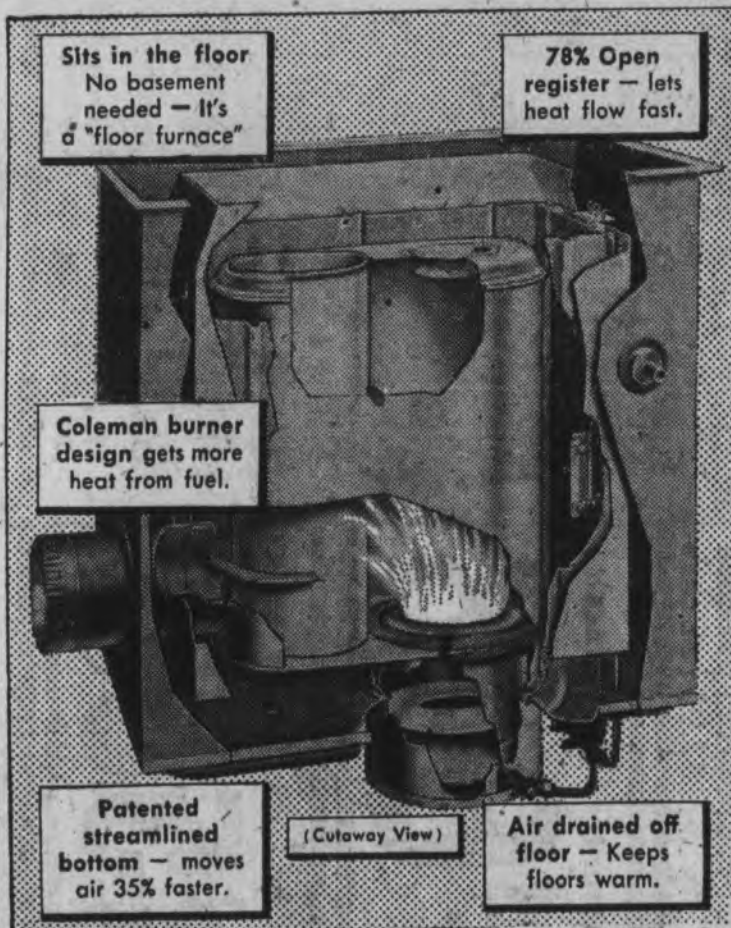
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Back in 1939, Frank Hingston, of Carter Lane, was catcher on Wilmington High's Baseball Team. Wilmington has always had good teams, but the 1939 team was one of the best, in fact they won the League Pennant. There were many good players on that team, names which are remembered today—Frank Hadley, Charles Black Junior and Danny Carter, among others. Frank Hingston was known as "The Bundle of Dynamite."

Frank had an offer to play, after he graduated, with the Scranton Penn. team, one of the Red Sox farm teams. He didn't accept the offer though, for Uncle Sam, at that time, as now was displaying an interest in any youth of his age, and of good physical stamina.

Frank joined the Marines. He went all through the training course, that the Marines have to offer, and since then he has seen service in many parts of the world. He saw action in the Pacific area, and, after the liberation of the Philippines he was sent back to Camp LeJune, North Carolina. Since then he has been stationed in many places. Squantum, Mass., El Toro, California, and more action in Korea.

It has been 12 years, now, since he joined up. Frank was a Master Sergeant, with plenty of service behind him.

No longer, however, is Frank an enlisted man in the Marines. It is now 2nd Lt. Frank Hingston, USMC, as of the 1st of July '52. Frank is now bound for Japan, for duty there. The people of his home town wish him good luck, with his new commission. The American Legion, too, is remembering Frank, for they will send him the Crusader wherever goes.

Americans move a million miles over the highways every minute of the day. Virtually all of this movement is by oil-powered vehicles.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the POWER OF SALE contained in a certain mortgage given by Walter V. Burnett and Emily L. Burnett to Philomena Maresco dated May 24, 1951 and recorded with Middlesex Northern District Registry of Deeds, Book 1169, Page 22, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 25th day of August A. D. 1952; on the premises hereinafter described, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, Therein described as follows:

To wit: The land with the building thereon, in the Town of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex in said Commonwealth, and being lots numbered 276 and 277, on a plan of land called Central Park, made by J. S. Grossman, Civil Engineer and recorded with said Middlesex Registry of Deeds (Northern District) Book 25 Plan 39. Said Lots being located on Fulton Street corner of Scigliano Street and containing according to said plan about 4625 square feet of land more or less. The granted premises are subject to the restriction that no buildings shall be placed on said land within fifteen feet of the street lines. Together with all equipment, fixtures and articles of every kind and nature, now or hereafter thereon or therein, which are, or can by agreement of parties be made, a part of the realty, including without limiting the foregoing generally, all plumbing, heating, cooking, lighting, refrigerating, ventilating and air-conditioning fixtures and equipment, and shades, screens, awnings, and detachable windows, blinds and doors.

Subject also to any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles and municipal liens, if any.

Terms of Sale: \$500 in cash or certified check is to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, balance in ten days.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Signed,
Philomena Maresco
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Attorney: Melvin A. Cherwin
10 Tremont Street,
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PAUL DAYTON

Paul Dayton, for many years an electrical contractor, in Wilmington, and the son of the late Frank Dayton, Selectman of Wilmington, has decided to shake the dust of the old home town from his feet. He has sold his home, and is motoring to Florida, in search of a new place to live.

LOWELL DOLLAR DAYS
START AUGUST 7

A mighty and united effort prevails among members of Merchants Division of the Lowell Chamber of Commerce this week to recoup some of the business loss experienced through the cessation of the bus operation for over 100 days by the promotion of "MID-SUMMER DOLLAR DAYS" on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 7, 8 and 9.

While the semi-annual cooperative event normally presents to the shoppers who visit the Lowell stores during these extraordinary days money saving offerings in personal apparel for every member of the family, as well as the home itself, the activities of the merchants are wholly directed towards a surpassing and unparalleled promotion for these Dollar Days that will be exceptionally beneficial to their patrons.

The reduced patronage over the period of time the buses were not running obviously reflected on the movement of merchandise from the stores. The apparel being of highly seasonal character and subject to many style changes over the coming eight months prompts the selling of it, rather than placing it in storage subjecting it to the hazards of the same by the stores. Hence the desire to convert all of the seasonal stocks presently on hand into cash whatsoever the sacrifices may be, so that each and every store can introduce newer styles and freshly made merchandise to its customers for the next summer months.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Eldridge E. Knox and Anita L. Knox to Fortunato DeStefano dated May 22, 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Middlesex North District book 1093, page 145, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction, on the premises, on Wednesday the third day of September 1952, at 3 o'clock, in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:—The land in Wilmington, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon.

Being lots 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327 and 328. On a plan of land of Wilmington Manor made by H. A. Millhouse, C. E. dated September 1909, and recorded with Middlesex County North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 27, Plan 7.

The sale will be made subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles and other municipal liens, if any there be.

\$500.00 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. Other terms will be announced at the sale.

August 2, 1952

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HEARING ON NEW SCHOOL
PLANS AUGUST 21st

The School Building Committee, and the School Committee, last Thursday evening, agreed that there should be a joint meeting of the two committees, on August 21st to which the public would be expressly invited, for the purpose of discussing the plans for the new elementary school.

Land Site Discussed

E. Hayward Bliss, the chairman of the School Building Committee told the School Board that the gentleman who owned the site of the land where it was desired to locate the school seemed to be reasonably disposed, and that it was possible that the land could be bought for a fair value. He stated that the committee would much rather do business this way, but they had conferred with the Selectmen, and both they and the Selectmen were of the opinion that if the land could not be purchased, then the question of eminent domain should go to the town.

Mr. Marshall, State School Building Administrator was in agreement as to the site, according to Mr. Bliss. Clifford Good, Supt. of Schools stated that both he and Mr. Marshall had been all over the site, on three occasions. Percolation tests are being made on the site, Mr. Bliss reported, but he had no knowledge as to the results.

School Plans

If and when the Building Committee is 100 per cent certain that the school will be on this site, they will then go ahead with the school plans. They do not, at this time feel that they can commit themselves, because to do so might cost several thousand dollars in plans that could not be used.

Preliminary plans have been developed, pending the final decision. These plans will locate the school 120 feet from Wildwood Street, on the crown of the hill. About four feet will be taken off the crown, which will be the location of the right wing, as seen from the street. There will be a total of 14 rooms, in two wings, one wing to be for younger children and the other for little older children. The two wings will be capable of being locked off from the rest of the school, so that the central part can be used for evening functions, without having the schoolrooms involved.

The central portion of the school which will be in the left wing, as seen from Wildwood Street, will be the location of the school offices, and other such rooms, including a general purpose room, capable of being used for assemblies, and as a cafeteria.

Several of the School Board members wanted to know if the general purpose room could also be used as a gymnasium. They were thinking of the fact that Wilmington does not have a decent place for basketball teams to practice.

Mr. Bliss told the Board that this was primarily a grade school, and that he could not guarantee a gym. The school was he said, something that belonged to the public. It was something that the people should get their returns on, and of it could be designed so that other civic functions could be had, without extra cost, so much the better. He pointed out that the ground level, in the area of the general purpose room, is lower than the school wing, and that it might be possible that the height of that room could be enough for a basketball practice squad to use. However, Mr. Bliss added, there will be, even in this case no room for spectators. He didn't think it wise to design the room with the purpose in mind, and every one

present agreed.

The idea of the school, said Mr. Bliss is to take care of grade children. "We must remember," said Mr. Bliss, "the report that was read at the last Town Meeting. We have to build this school now. We have to build an addition to the High School in two years. Then, after that, the report stated that another new elementary school will be needed, in about 4 years. This means money, and we aren't here to see any of it thrown away."

Mr. Bliss finished his remarks by telling the School Board that this building was not being designed with the idea of a later addition. When the time comes for more expansion of the grade schools, he felt that it would be wise to put the additional money into another part of the town.

The school, barring unforeseen accidents, will be ready for the 1st of September, 1953.

School Board Discusses
Janitors Salaries

After the School Building Committee had left, the School Committee took up the problem of janitors' salaries.

The janitors have been told that there would be an increase in their salaries, commensurate with the increase in that of other town employees.

There was, however, no provision made at the Town Meeting to pay for such an increase, and the School Committee is without funds to make any such payment. The problem was discussed at length, but with no satisfactory conclusion.

The Committee was distressed that a promise had been given to the janitors, concerning a salary raise, with no funds available. Several of the members remarked, several times, that it was not the School Committee who had given the promise, and that the janitors were being led, perhaps, into false expectations by such a promise.

New Teacher

Miss Janet M. Lewis, of Arlington, was appointed to the position of teacher of Home Economics, in the High School, on motion of John Hartnett.

Miss Lewis has taught for several years in other schools, and is a graduate of Framingham State Teachers College. Her starting salary is to be \$2700 a year.

Census Enumerator Appointed
John Imbimbo was appointed a school census enumerator, on motion of Ernest Crispo. Mr. Imbimbo is to get \$500 for making the school census.

Center School

An indication of the changing needs of Wilmington's Schools may be seen, this year, in the Center School, where, for the first time in many years, there will again be a first grade class.

Originally built to be Wilmington High School, in 1885, the Center School became a grammar school, after the building that is now the Junior High was built, in 1914. For many years there were six grades in this school, 1st and 2nd downstairs on the left, 3rd and 4th downstairs on the right (near the Public Library), and 7th grade upstairs on the right, with 8th grade in the other upstairs room. These two upper rooms, which have a well between them which can be raised on pulleys, then became the 7th grade room, with Miss Leontine Buck and Miss Caroline Swain as teachers. Many of Wilmington's middle aged citizens can look back with fond memories to those days, in the 1920's, when this was Wilmington's largest class.

The school today is outwardly the same. Asbestos shingles and a new chimney installed a few years ago, have not altered the appearance. Inside the original window frames are still in use, scarred by many generations of students, but the old fashioned toilets are gone, replaced some years ago by modern styled facilities, located in the front of the building. Where the library used to be, many years ago, (upstairs) is now the girl's

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The new first grade will be in the lower right classroom (nearest to the library) and will be in charge of Mrs. O'Keefe. Desks and chairs have been installed, facing toward the center of the building, desks which have had been in the first grade of the Walker School. They have all been sanded, filled, and waxed, and present a nice appearance.

The Special Boys Class will continue, as before, in the other downstairs room. Here there are the armchair type of desks, and other equipment such as would be found in this type of classroom. Both of the downstairs rooms have a piano, of uncertain age, but still playable, and in good tune.

The Special Boys Class has about 18 students, and is in charge of Mrs. Mallon.

The upstairs rooms are no longer combinable. The wall, between the two rooms, which used to lift up, will lift no more. Blackboards now hang on this wall.

The chairs and desks in these two rooms are new fixtures, purchased several years ago. Each chair and desk combination are mounted on one stand, as one unit, which however is not bolted to the floor, but can be moved around as needed. At present, in both rooms, these desks are so arranged as to face the center of the building, with the backs of the children being towards the windows.

The upper left room is now the

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fourth grade, in charge of Miss Pauline Leiter, and the blackboards on the center wall still show the drawings which the children made last spring, giving their impressions of Boston, after the class had visited the city.

The upper right is similar to Miss Leiter's room, and is in charge of Mrs. Clark. This is a third grade room.

For many years, it was the custom to oil the floors of this schoolhouse, but, after the Coconut Grove fire the State Fire Marshall's forbade oiling of floors, in public buildings.

Bernie McDonough, the custodian of the school has been scrubbing the floors, this summer. Each floor has been scrubbed three or four times, after which the wood was filled, and then waxed. They present a much lighter appearance, and it is possible to make out the marks from the desk locations of far years.

The corridors, in which generations of children have roamed, have had improvements. For many years the plaster, at the height of a child's shoulder, has taken all sorts of abuse, until recently it was all crumbling, and threatening to fall.

Today the plaster, for a height of perhaps 18 inches above a child's head has been removed, and the space filled with sections of old blackboard and masonite—tough and rugged material that will be difficult to damage, and easy to keep clean. In the event that any section has been damaged, it can be easily replaced.

There is one more feature of this school which the old time student would not remember, and that is the fire escape, in the back of the building. Originally installed several years ago, it was, at first, one long stretch of iron stairway, which had a mentally depressing effect to a small child, standing on the top. The child would look down at what seemed to be a never ending series of steps, and be afraid to venture down.

This has been changed, by the introduction of a platform, at the height of the first floor. This platform now serves to break the line of continuity. The child sees only the upper half of the steps, down to the first floor, and is no longer afraid. Having got to the first floor, the steps from there to the ground are easy. Fire drills, once something that alarmed the children, a few years back, no longer find hesitant children, at the top of the fire escape. Fire drills, incidentally, are held each week.

New front steps, with new guard rails have been installed this summer.

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So the next year father built the house which George Dillaway now occupies on an acre and a quarter of land which mother picked out because it had a beau-

tiful view of the sunset across the old Pond Pasture of the Blanchard farm. A few years later she was very much "put out" when William E. Cowing, who had bought the Blanchard farm from Aunt Lizzie, built a huge barn, and later a carriage house, between our house and the sunset.

In those days a good water supply was primary problem for any new dwelling house, and the difficulties we encountered in this respect resulted in our being the

originators of "round and around she goes and where she stops nobody knows." Our lot had a ledge or rock under it, and father finally drilled 40 feet through it and tapped a beautiful supply of crystal clear drinking water. The drilling was done by horse power.

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A building boom started in North Wilmington as a forerunner of the "gold coast" days of the gay nineties. In 1889 William E. Cowing built the house in which I now live as a summer cottage for his daughter Annie, a tall, dark-eyed beauty who had married her cousin Fred on Aunt Lizzie Blanchard's croquet ground the year before, her long trailing white bridal gown gleaming like a lily against the bright green background of the flowering locust trees. The next year Arthur T. Bond built the house now owned and occupied by Philip B. Buzzell.

Farther north, on Salem Street, Amos Durkee built his house out of lumber sawed at Silas Brown's mill on Martin's Brook, while over on Ballardvale Road Jerry Doucette was building his home on what is now Louis Doucette's turkey farm. Later Maunday Babine built a house next to it.

Rodney Buck's house came into being about this time. Originally it was a carpenter shop standing near Andover Street on a corner of the Hamlen place it belonged to Emma Buck's brothers, Frank and Ed Hamlen. They were carpenters and after their sister married Bert Buck they moved it down to its present location and converted it into a home for her.

A little later the Gallagher house was moved off the Coombs place to its present location on Mystic Avenue. Moving buildings around seemed to be of the principal outdoor sports in the early days of North Wilmington. Guilford's house next to the No. Wilmington post office, where Warren Carter lived for so many years, was originally the old North School standing on the site of the present building at the corner of Salem Street and Ballardvale Road.

Just to keep up the school attendance Jim Regan, who worked for a lifetime at Harriman's tannery, built a house next to the North School on Ballardvale Road and had for children Minnie, Jimmy, Johnny, Tommy, Katie, Annie, Gertrude, Joanna and Danny. Regan Park at the end of High Street is named for Johnny Regan who enlisted in the Canadian army and was killed in the first World War.

Along came Edwin L. Haley and built what is now Gene Coombs's house. More about this and the "gold coast" days in our next.

EDITORS NOTE: The place referred to as the Dillaway house is now owned by Warren E. North and the Guilford house is now the home of Norman Craik.

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The town is in receipt of a letter from the Selectmen of Reading, in which these gentlemen inform us that the Reading Police are getting a new radio setup, with FM instead of AM, and on a wavelength of 45.98 megacycles instead of the present 39.1. The letter is to inform the town fathers that if they wish to continue to have the Wilmington Police receive calls through the Reading station, the Wilmington Police will have to change accordingly.

MORE MONEY AVAILABLE FOR VETERANS HOUSING

The Board of Selectmen are in receipt of a letter, which has been sent to every city and town in the State, from William C. Geary, Chairman of the State Housing Authority. The letter states that \$25 million more is available for Veterans Housing, and that this time the veterans of the Korean War are also to benefit. The letter ends up with the offer to assist any town or city looking for information.

ARTHUR BREWSTER

Arthur Brewster is back in Bainbridge, Maryland, going to the Hospital School there. His address is Arthur J. Brewster, SA 901-04-76, HM School, Bainbridge, Maryland.

EAMES STREET

The Town Manager has been talking with the State Highway Department, about the possibility of getting Eames Street accepted under Chapter 90. According to the Town Manager, he has been unable to discover any rule or law which governs the matter in which streets are chosen for State Aid.

Eames Street, today, has quite a bit of traffic, because of the location of the new plants there and because it is a short cut between Routes 129 and 38. The effect of putting it under Chapter 90 would be that the County would pay 25 per cent of the costs of maintaining the street, and the State 50 per cent.

TRAILERS IN WILMINGTON

The TM has written the Reading Electric Light, reminding them that there are regulations against putting electricity in trailers, in certain instances, and that the Light Company would do well to consult with the Town, in each instance.

At the same time, the Police Department have been asked, by the TM to check frequently, on the trailer use in town, to make sure that no laws are broken.

AMBULANCE HITS TRUCK

The Wilmington Police ambulance struck a truck, last Friday, when the brakes failed to stop the car, at the corner of Mystic Avenue and the Fellsway, Somerville.

The ambulance, in charge of Fire-fighters Nee and Cushing, was taking a patient to the Mass. General Hospital, in Boston. The fluid in the brake system was lost, as a result of a break in the line, and the car crashed into a truck, which had stopped for a red light. The grill, headlight, and fender on the left side were damaged.

CHILD ESCAPES SERIOUS INJURY

Michael Nee, aged 22 months, escaped serious injury, when he fell from a car which his mother, Mrs. John Nee of 2 Main Street, was driving. The accident happened on West Street, near the Wilmington Reading line, last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Nee brought her son, who had opened the door and fallen out of the moving vehicle, to Dr. Hosmer, who treated the boy for minor cuts and bruises.

RETURNS FROM VACATION IN OHIO

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dennehy, of Auburn Street, have returned home from a two weeks trip to Cincinnati, Ohio, during which they visited a relative who is studying for the Priesthood, in a seminary, there. "Buddy" Cotter, the student Priest, is a New York boy.

EDMOND RONAYNE ON LEAVE

Sgt. Edmond V. Ronayne is visiting his folks, on Nichols Street on a 20 day furlough.

SHELL WANTS TO IMPROVE SERVICE

The town is in receipt of a plan from the Shell Oil Company, in which they hope to improve their service station, at the junction of Main and Lowell Streets. They plan to enlarge and improve their building and move it further back (south) so as to enlarge their service yard. They also want to increase their gasoline storage — from 7,000 to 9,000 gallons.

COAL AND OIL BIDS

The Town Manager is awarding the coal and oil bids, for the coming year. So far he has awarded three bids, with several more still outstanding. Louie's Oil Service has been awarded a bid for oil, and the Wilmington Coal and Oil has been awarded the bid for hard coal, and for No. 2 Diesel oil, at 10.94 cents a gallon.

The bid for soft coal has not been awarded, pending further study. The bids for No. 5 oil may go to Petroleum Heat and Power, although it is not yet awarded, because several items concerning service have to be investigated.

Cities Service and the Gulf Oil Company have substantially the same bids, for gasoline, and the award there will also be made on a service basis, it is understood.

JURY LIST CHANGES

Nine persons have been stricken from the Jury List, of the Town of Wilmington. One was because of illness, another because of death, and the other seven because they had served on juries, in the past year. The Selectmen have drawn another 12 names, with which it is hoped to replenish the list. The lucky persons will be notified by mail.

WILMINGTON REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Eben L. Johnson and wife, to Robert E. Jordan and wife, Wilmington Terrace.

Richard P. Luken and assoc. by mtgee to Robert O. Rowe, and wife, Seaford Street.

Mary I. McCarthy to Edw. F. McLaughlin and wife, Hopkins St. Street.

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Charles H. Strout and assoc., to Harold F. Garrett and wife, Strout Avenue.

BRUSH FIRE AT HOUSING PROJECT

A brush fire, at 3:10 p.m. July 30th, near the Wilmington Housing Authority, called for the services of Truck No. 3, of the Wilmington Fire Department. There was no damage.

AUTO FIRE IN NORTH WILMINGTON

A sedan, belonging to Doris M. Browne, of Pomfret Road, caught on fire as the result of a short circuit, on July 30th, at 1:30 a.m. It was considerably damaged, before the Fire Department could get the fire out.

BRUSH FIRE ON MYSTIC AVENUE

The Wilmington Fire Department was called, on August 1st, at 3:10 p.m. to put out a brush fire, on Mystic Avenue, North Wilmington. There was no damage.

AUTO OVERHEATED

A car owned by Mike Croce, of 80 Shawmut Street, Revere, became overheated on Woburn Street near Brentwood, on August 3rd, at 9:30 p.m. Croce, in alarm, called the fire department. The car was cooled down, before the department arrived.

OIL BURNER FIRE CALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department was called to the WHA project at 9:45 p.m. on July 30th by a police call. One of the oil burners had flooded, and the householder called for help. There was no damage.

WILMINGTON AND BILLERICA

Harvey Jordan, Jr., and assoc., to Joseph O'Maloney and assoc.

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Henry Heller, to John W. Perry, Williams Avenue.

Rhea H. Perry and assoc., to Henry Heller, Williams Avenue.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

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THE kids might think so but we're talking about the BACK TO SCHOOL Supplement Section that will appear in Our edition of the week of August 18th. This Supplement is a complete section highlighting one of the major events of the year. Don't Miss It!